







## SPIRIT RIVER NEWS

## SPIRIT RIVER BOARD OF TRADERS ELECTED

A meeting and election of officers of the Spirit River Board of Tradetraders was held in Steve Keay's office Wednesday, December 9. A fairly good turnout was registered. J. H. Keay, president, opened the meeting, giving the financial statement.

Jimmie Dodge was appointed president for the year. Jimmie is an old timer in the country and knows the needs of the district. He is a hard worker for the community and takes a strong interest in anything concerning the betterment of the district. As the new president he addressed the meeting in a few very well chosen words intimating it was time we got busy and be alive to the fact that nothing can be set if it isn't gone after. He said he would undertake the position as president if they gave him their full cooperation.

L. Hosen was appointed secretary and we have no doubt but he will fill that position with entire satisfaction.

The executive of five was appointed a working committee who are as follows: D. H. Keay, R. A. Harrington, Mr. Cassie, R. Ratcliff, J. S. McMillan. This looks like a good line-up and we expect to have some action from them.

The regular meetings are set for the first Wednesday of each month. A drive for membership is now on, so the drive deep and give support to the efforts of this committee.

## Broom an' Stane

The howling game has got under way early this year. The first night was in the draw last night for the first event of the season. The committee decided to hold the bonspiel earlier this year. The date is set for January 13. Usually we get a chimney for this occasion so it was decided to try and beat the weather man to it. The folks don't bring their hip boots this year. We don't want to see anyone at the real curlers. Looks like we will have some stiff rinks to bump against this year.

## Personal Paragraphs

Mrs. L. Sisk, who has been from Edmonton, where she has been for the past six months taking a course in hairdressing. Her beauty parlor is now open for business, on ladies, call around and see some curls, if it please. You will find her in the Hotel Annex, fully equipped and ready to serve.

Mrs. Goldberg, wife of Dr. Goldberg, accompanied by their son, arrived on Sunday's train. The doctor and his family are taking up residence in the Hamilton house on the corner. Mrs. Goldberg, Spirit River welcomes you.

Ray Bateman and wife left for a trip east. They expect to be gone for the winter. It will be for Farmer Bateman when he returns.

Mr. and Mrs. Hosen left for a two-month stay in Carberry, Manitoba. Lloyd and Jimmie Bodner are leaving for and joining each other with their cooking.

Mrs. R. J. Laing of Nipawin, Sask., who has been spending a few weeks with her son, C. J. Laing, in Carberry, returned for Los Angeles, California, Wednesday morning. Mrs. Laing is 98 years old, but takes a long walk daily, regardless of the weather. She will stopover at different towns and cities on her way south. Best wishes Mrs. Laing.

## Church News

The regular monthly meeting of U. C. L. A. was held on Saturday, December 12. Entire executive was re-elected. Rev. Hosen, president, Mrs. Dodge, vice-president, Mrs. Winchell, secretary, Mrs. Keay, treasurer, Mrs. Hosen, ladies report a very successful year. They have financed the church of the week, which cost over one hundred dollars, and at the time of the church service over one hundred dollars for mission and maintenance work of United Church in Canada, besides taking care of regular church expenses. Their chicken supper and laundry was well patronized and they cleared \$135 profit. Leave it to the ladies.

## Congratulations

Mr. Dick Williams celebrated his 82nd birthday last Friday. He is able to celebrate twenty more. We think Dick is rejuvenated as it were. He figures on being at the Grande Prairie Festival next year, with his partner, competing in Highland Fling. Always knew he liked Scotch, but first time we knew he liked this thing else about him.

## NOVEMBER NOTES OF SPIRIT RIVER SCHOOLS

Although a few pupils are returning to the ranks each week after having indulged in "humps," the regular attendance is far below normal, that of the public school being about 50 per cent.

Major Norbury's visit to the school on November 18 provided both entertainment and instruction. Two lectures were given, one in the public school and one in the high school. The work of the Old Masters was discussed and points regarding the technique of each were brought to the attention of the children.

The following day the exhibit of handicrafts made by Alberta citizens from Alberta's resources was found very interesting. Pupils and teachers from White Mountain, Spirit Valley and Broncho Creek as well as those from the town schools viewed the exhibit and attended the lecture and picture show later. About two hundred school children were in attendance.

The work of making and selling tickets, printing posters, upholding and handling the business and generally.

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On December 8, 1936, Miss Mary Stahberg made her debut on the stage of the Sexsmith Theatre. She was the fourth anniversary of her birthday. The party was given by her friends and was a number of her friends to make merry with her, which they did with lots of enthusiasm.

A number of games were played and to finish off the evening was a pleasant surprise. Just what this was we are not prepared to say, probably an appetizer, and if so, it certainly worked like a charm.

Two little guests sat down to the banquet table and were served with a lot of nice things, including sandwiches, cookies, and cake decorated with cherries, all being washed down with ice cream as a chaser. After the supper some of the following were present: Allen Turner, Jack Roberts, Billy Hosen, Mary McKay, Billy Foster, Audrey New, Ralph Blackburn, Ruth McNaughton, David Olson, Mona Thompson, Tommy Erickson and Bonnie Jordan.

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The Millard school Christmas tree will be held on Wednesday, 22nd inst. Mr. Pauling, the teacher, is putting on a very nice program. Santa Claus has sent a wire saying that the children of this school shall not be misled.

Don't forget the dance at the Millard school Hogmanay Night. Dance the New Year in with us. Girls 25 cents. Ladies please bring lunch. Mr. and Mrs. Sam DeWitt, accompanied by Mrs. Cave-Browne of Grande Prairie, were visitors at the Pipestone Creek store on Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Percy Elliot and Mrs. H. Higgs from across the Wapiti passed through Monday on route to Grande Prairie, stopping for the night with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brimpton. Mrs. David White, who visited her daughter in Grande Prairie this week, returned to her home on Friday. The children of the "Big Moose" returned the river Friday on route. The latter's homestead. These three were out on their annual trading trip. Trading was fine and nobody was skinned.

We were sorry to hear of Eddie Johnson being hurt by his pony, and we are pleased to see him around again.

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(By Junius)

The gentleman who has taken over the duties of corresponding for the district along the Wapiti has asked me to fill in for him this week, as he is busy elsewhere, so here goes. Everybody is talking of the King's abdication, so we will not say anything about it. Only this: It hurt like hell.

With lots of wood up, cellars full of vegetables, houses well heated, and one was prepared for a severe winter. The mild weather of the last six weeks has been more than pleasant. True, the coal miners are not rushed, but think of the money who cannot afford much fuel or coal, how they could manage.

Since the recent snow grain hauling is better.

Miss Lella Doherty and Miss Ethel Foster attended the dance on the fourth. Come again, girls. "Red" is doing fine with his little store on the corner.

I am sure we all sorry to see Paddy Meadus leaving us. Paddy intends to go to Ontario to teach tailoring course. We all wish her to succeed.

After the sale and dance held for Mr. Peter McDonald and family, Mr. McDonald and family made a number of friends while here. We are also sorry to lose our teacher, Miss Heller, who will be leaving at Christmas.

Miss Ivy Murray and Wm. Murray expect to return, going to Silverwood for Christmas.

Glad to see Ron around again after his operation.

Seen and Heard

Pete heading southeast quite often. What the attraction, Pete? Sylvia wishing she didn't have a car. I wish they would leave the lights out. I like it better in the dark. Came a voice from the rear.

APPLETON NEWS

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Mr. Alex Watt is a business visitor to Edmonton during the week-end. Mr. E. John, Mrs. O'Brien and Miss L. L. Lide paid a visit to Grande Prairie on Saturday.

There was a nice attendance at the Community Club on Friday night. The winners at whist were Mrs. N. Wheeler first for the gentlemen. The members, led by the orchestra, enjoyed community singing for some time. After lunch there was a short business session and the members elected officers for the season of 1937. Mr. J. McNaught, president; D. N. Allison, vice-president; Mr. O. Wertz, secretary.

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Wertz (guitar), supplied music. The dance enjoyed very much. The program committee for the next week is Miss Helen Johnston, Miss DeWitt, Mackie and Mrs. Alex Watt, who promise a good evening for the evening, January 8. Cards begin at 8:15.

Mr. Dave Mackintosh of Hinton was a visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. DeWitt over the week-end.

It is regretted that the Laraine John has been threatened with an appendicitis number of old friends and neighbors of the late Mrs. F. H. Dixon attended the funeral at Grande Prairie on Tuesday.

To the family of the late Mrs. F. H. Dixon

A HAPPY AND MERRY CHRISTMAS

APPLETON SCHOOL REPORT

NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER

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## GOOD THINGS TO EAT FOR Christmas

### Christmas Apples--

WAGNERS, unwrapped, per box.....\$1.90  
MONTOSH REDS, wrapped, per box.....\$2.00  
NORTHERN SPINNS, "Cms", wrapped, per box.....\$2.15  
NORTHERN SPINNS, Fancy, wrapped, per box.....\$2.35  
NORTHERN SPINNS, unwrapped, per box.....\$1.95

CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS, priced at.....10c, 25c and 50c each

BOWEN ALMOND ICING, 1-lb. tin.....75c  
BOWEN ALMOND ICING, 1-lb. tin.....45c  
CAKE CANDY, Assorted or Silver, per piece.....10c

### Mince Meat--

BOWEN MINCE MEAT, excellent quality, 2 lbs. for.....35c  
WETHEY'S MINCE MEAT, condensed, 2 pints for.....35c

### NAVEL ORANGES New Crop



Size 344 per dozen, 32c; 3 dozen for.....95c  
Size 288 per dozen, 38c; 2 dozen for.....75c

MOONLIGHT MARSHMALLOWS--  
Small (10) 10c 10c 10c 10c 10c 10c 10c 10c 10c 10c  
12-oz. tin.....21c 12-oz. tin.....30c  
12-oz. tin.....21c 12-oz. tin.....30c

### Christmas Chocolates --

ROBERTSON'S CHERRY CHOCOLATES, per 1/2-lb. box.....25c  
ROBERTSON'S CHERRY CHOCOLATES, per pound box.....45c  
CHOCOLATES, CREAMS and JELLIES, in holy box, 2 lbs. for 60c  
MOIR'S YULETIDE CHOCOLATES, per 2-lb. box.....65c  
LUCERNE CHOCOLATES, 5-pound box.....\$1.20  
PATTERSON'S FRESH-PAK CHOCOLATES, per pound box 60c  
PATTERSON'S FRESH-PAK CHOCOLATES, per 2-lb. box \$1.10

### Christmas Nuts

MIXED NUTS, with Peanuts, per pound.....20c  
MIXED NUTS, without Peanuts, 2 pounds.....45c  
MANCHURIAN WALNUTS, 2 pounds for.....35c  
DRAGON NUTS, per pound.....25c  
PEANUTS, fresh sticks, 2 pounds for.....25c

SNOW APPLES, unwrapped, per box.....\$1.75

### Olives

HEINE STUFFED OLIVES, 7-oz. bottle.....25c  
McLAREN'S STUFFED OLIVES, 7-oz. bottle.....25c  
McLAREN'S STUFFED OLIVES, 11-oz. bottle.....35c  
McLAREN'S STUFFED OLIVES, 18-oz. bottle.....50c  
McLAREN'S QUEEN OLIVES, per 7-oz. bottle.....20c  
HEINE QUEEN OLIVES, per bottle.....32c

CHRISTMAS CRACKERS, containing caps and mottos. Add color and safety to your Christmas party.

Butterfly Crackers, per box.....65c  
Guardian Crackers, per box.....90c

### Christmas Candy



Special Christmas Mixed, 2 lbs. 35c  
Domestic Mixed, 2 lbs. for.....35c  
Brown Mixed, per pound.....20c  
Peppermint Humbugs, pound.....20c  
Love Creams, per pound.....20c  
Champion Creams and Jellies, per pound.....20c  
Christmas Jelly Beans, pound.....10c  
Jolly Cuts, per pound.....25c  
Christmas Kisses, per pound.....25c  
Assorted Twinkles, per pound.....25c  
Caramel Twinkles, per pound.....25c  
Italian Creams, per pound.....25c  
Chocolate Drops, per pound.....25c  
Mixed Mints, per pound.....25c  
Western Gum Mixture, pound.....25c  
Licorice Twinkles, per pound.....25c

### Welch's Grape Juice

Small bottle.....15c  
Medium bottle.....35c  
Large bottle.....65c  
Dole Pineapple Juice, per tin.....10c and 15c  
Libby's Grapefruit Juice, 2 tins 35c  
Canada Dry Ginger Ale, per quart bottle.....30c  
Canada Dry Ginger Ale, 1 dozen quarts.....\$3.40  
Lime Rickey or Just Orange, per quart bottle.....25c  
Lime Rickey or Just Orange, 1 dozen quarts.....\$2.50

## Shop at Gift Center

### GIFTS--Thrilling and Appropriate For The Modern Miss and Mrs.

### To PLEASE HIM



A variety of linens, including a new line of Mercury Straps in medium size only.

PYJAMAS.....\$2.95  
GOWNS.....\$2.25  
PANTIES or SLIPPERS.....75c and 95c  
VESTES.....75c

also--  
HARVEY-WOODS PYJAMAS AND GOWNS.....\$2.95  
OTHER PYJAMAS AND GOWNS.....\$1.75 and \$2.25  
SLIPS.....95c, \$1.75 and \$2.25  
PANTIES and BRASSIERE SETS.....\$1.00 and \$1.95  
BLOOMERS ALONE.....50c and 75c  
BEDROOM SLIPPERS.....85c to \$1.75  
SILK DRESSER.....\$3.25 and \$4.85

### Mercury Silk HOSE

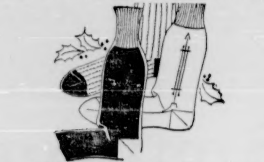
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75c, 85c

\$1.00



CURRIE BOXED TIES.....50c, 75c and \$1.00  
CURRIE BELTS.....50c, 85c and \$1.50  
BELT BUCKLES, Initialed.....50c  
SCARVES (either Wool or Silk).....\$1.00 to \$2.50



Also DRESS SOCKS, SHIRTS, SLIPPERS, SUSPENDER SETS, DRESS GLOVES, SILK OR WOOL SCARVES AND DRESS ACCESSORY SETS

### TOYS of ALL KINDS

DOLLS, from.....25c to \$1.50  
MECHANICAL TOYS.....25c to 95c  
PULL TOYS, of wood heavy construction.....50c to \$2.00  
Also DISHES, VELVET DOGS, TEDDY BEARS, TOPS, BALLS, BLOCKS, ETC., AND XMAS DECORATIONS.



### Choice Christmas Foods

JAP ORANGES, case.....1.00  
DELICIOUS APPLES, case.....2.10  
NORTHERN SPY, case.....2.25  
ORANGES, per dozen......35  
ORANGES, Larger Sizes, per dozen......50  
CHAMPION, per pound......30  
GRAPES, pound......20  
Grape Fruit, 2 for......25  
BANANAS, 2 pounds......35  
HEAD LITTICH, each......10  
CELERY, 2 pounds......25

### Sweet Meats

Shelled Almonds, lb......60  
Shelled Almonds, lb......75  
Shelled Walnuts, lb......40  
Shelled Pecans, 1/2 lb......35  
Peanuts, 2 lbs......25  
Walnuts, 2 lbs......25  
Pistachios, 2 lbs......45  
Brazil, lb......25  
Almonds, lb......30  
Mixed Nuts, lb......20

### Holiday Candies

CHOICE CREAMS, pound......25  
CHOICE CREAMS, 5-pound box.....1.25  
FRUIT JELLIES, pound......30  
CARAMELS, pound......30  
PATTERSON'S, pound......30  
SPANISH PEANUTS, pound......30  
CHOCOLATES, 1/2-pound box......15  
CHOCOLATES, 1-pound box......25  
CHOCOLATES, 2 1/2-pound box......45  
CHOCOLATES AND BONBONS, 2 1/2-lb. box......85  
CHOCOLATES, 5-pound box.....1.25  
CIGARS and CIGARETTES in Xmas Wrapping

## BIRD'S GROCERY

CASH and CARRY

Quality and Low Prices

Prices Good at Both Stores--Sexsmith and Grande Prairie

## Morrison's Cash Store

GRANDE PRAIRIE

DE BOLT

Store Open Every Night Until Christmas

## Gifts All through the Store



WATCH YOUR BOY OR GIRL'S DELIGHT OVER A GIFT OF

### Sporting Goods

Let them take over the little to enjoy the wintering out on a pair of skis or a pair of skis. Christmas toys with a gift of new skis or a badminton racket for beautiful holiday evening.

SKIS, all sizes and prices.  
SKI POLES and BARNES.  
SKI BINDING HEATERS.....\$3.95 up  
HOCKEY STICKS.....25c up  
HOCKEY PUCKS.....25c  
SKIS, all sizes.....\$1.00 to \$3.50  
HOCKEY GLOVES, \$3.00 to \$9.00  
SLIDERS, high and low runners, from 95c up  
TOBOGGANS, in 4, 5 and 6-foot sizes.....\$1.95 up  
AIR RIFLES.....\$1.95 up  
A full line of ammunition requests and various supplies.  
FOR THE HANDY MAN  
Quality tools of every kind for the man who works in the shop.

### Coleman Lamps

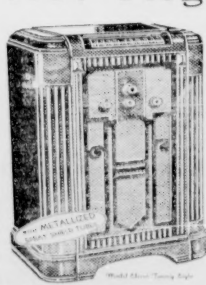
AND LANTERNS  
Make ideal gifts for the farm home. Lamps from \$4.95 up.

### Christmas Music from Old-World Cathedrals



Brought to You in Rich, Clear Tones on the New

### 1937 Rogers Radio



Impressive and beautiful in their own right, just as they were when hundreds of years ago. You will want to have these old world homes as they are broadcast on Christmas Day.

Our new long range Rogers radio brings you the best reception from cities all over the world.

Drop in and look over this 8-tube all-wave Rogers illustrated here the set with the remarkable new 8-to-1 band spreader feature.

\$134.95

Less batteries.

For a limited time only we will offer a very liberal TRADE-IN ALLOWANCE on this Rogers model for your old radio.

### ACCEPTABLE GIFTS OF GAY Kitchenware

Suggestions in Every Ward:

Pie Plates  
Casseroles  
Open Bakers  
Bread Pans  
Cake Plates  
Custard Cans

All attractively boxed and priced to sell.

### Carving Sets

Shelfed made carving sets of stainless steel.

\$2.25 to \$10.00

### Electrical Gifts

Bring delight to the homemaker.

TOASTERS, PERCOLATORS, HOT PLATE, WAFFLE IRONS

### Save on Toys

Toys reduce at amazing savings! Be sure to see the electric trains we are now showing.

Mechanical trains, toy trucks and cars, Meccano and Tinkertoy sets, dolls, rubber dolls and dolls, and games of every imaginable kind.



### News-Hound REPORTS

THAT F. H. "Tiny" Ephraim is in our midst again, after a week's absence in Manitoba. He is highly enthusiastic over the new studio layout at CKY, Winnipeg.

THAT Christmas is again at hand, and the poverty-stricken announcing staff turns green with envy as they announce each morning: "Do your Christmas shopping early!"

THAT the great white chief, H. B. Carson, is conferring in these parts, materially assisted by a series of "line" set clear.

THAT your newshound, thoroughly equipped in red flannels and rompers, is too busy writing letters to Santa for very much else.

THAT Marion Clarke, alluring enchantress from that sunny southern spot, CJOE, Leithbridge, was a recent visitor in the frozen north. She favored the Edmonton thousand waltzers with a visit. CFAC please note.

Dublin, Irish Free State, has begun a drive to provide dwellings for \$8,000,000.

## Our Last Message to Christmas Shoppers---Many New Arrivals

this Week-end to aid in the solution of Gift Problems.

### VALUES MOST UNPRECEDENTED

Toys Galore, Games, Etc., Kiddies' and Youths' Sports Goods

Table, Household Wares  
An Unusual Selection of Electrical Appliances

BE SURE AND SAVE OUR PROFIT. SHARING COUPONS FOR YOUR CASH PURCHASES. WE REDEM THEM FOR VALUABLE PREMIUMS

Your shopping will be complete after an Inspection of OUR GREAT VALUES



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